

Madam Speaker, words cannot adequately thank Maj. Gen. Lison for his years of service to our country. May his service, dedication, and sacrifice be remembered by a grateful nation. I offer my sincerest condolences to his family.

#### HONORING EARLEAN MARSHALL

#### HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 19, 2019*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable person, Ms. Earlean Marshall.

Earlean Marshall was born on September 14, 1948 in Greenwood, Mississippi to U.S. Army Veteran, Mr. O.Z. Marshall, Sr. and Mrs. Mildred Macy Debro Marshall. She was the eldest of seven children. Her brother John D. Marshall and parents preceded her in death.

Growing up, Earlean's life journeys would take her to Chicago where her parents also lived. They would later relocate to Mississippi, settling in the Rosebank Community of Holmes County.

Earlean began her early public-school education at Mt. Olive School in the Mt. Olive Community. She dearly loved Mt. Olive School and would later serve on the Mt. Olive All-Class Reunion Committee. And, then she attended high school at Tchula Attendance Center (TAC) but would later finish high school in Los Angeles, California where she relocated in 1964 to live with her Aunt "Lovie" and cousins.

Earlean graduated from LA High in 1967 and received bachelor's degrees from California State and UCLA. She was very smart where many of her colleagues asked for her assistance. She was well liked by friends, co-workers and neighbors.

Earlean joined Liberty Baptist Church and was active on the youth usher Board as well as sang in the youth choir. Years later, Earlean joined Holman United Methodist Church in May 20, 1979. She was very active within her church community. She participated on the Holman Church Board, Advisory and Trustee Committee, The Women's Organization, The Holman Mass Choir, and the Usher Board. Earlean was always willing to serve and was very appreciated.

A business-minded individual, Earlean began her career in retail at Broadway Department Store in California but would later further her career for years in the corporate world as a contractor with TRW, Inc. and with The Boeing Company—The Aerospace & Tech Leader. Her work took her on numerous business travels.

Following Earlean's lengthy career in corporate America, she returned to Mississippi after her father died and made her home once again in the Rosebank community. She reunited with Rosebank M.B. Church where she would share her beautiful, melodious voice during devotion, served as acting secretary, was mistress of ceremony on numerous occasions, very active in Sunday School, and was a faithful supporter of the church. She remained active until her health began to decline.

An education advocate and family historian, Earlean often rejoiced in the achievements of

her nieces and nephews and other relatives of the family, always encouraging them on achieve greatness. God called her home to rest in His arms with sweet, sweet peace early Monday morning on February 25, 2019. She will truly be missed.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the late Earlean Marshall.

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOME RULE ACT

#### HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 19, 2019*

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today, I introduced the Commission of Fine Arts District of Columbia Home Rule Act. This bill would prohibit the Commission of Fine Arts (CFA) from exercising authority over non-federal property in the District of Columbia.

Under presidential executive orders (EOs) and federal law, the CFA has review authority for D.C.-owned parks and buildings, as well as for certain private land in D.C. Under the relevant EOs, CFA has review authority for the design of D.C.-owned parks and buildings. Under the Shipstead-Luce Act, CFA has review authority for the design of private buildings in the District "adjacent to public buildings and grounds of major importance," such as Rock Creek Park and the Potomac riverfront. Under the Old Georgetown Act, the CFA has review authority for the design of private buildings in the part of Georgetown referred to as "Old Georgetown" in the act. The members of the CFA are appointed by the President.

The federal government, including the CFA, has no business in local land-use policies and decisions unrelated to the federal presence. Not only is the federal government's authority over D.C. buildings and private property anti-democratic, it also delays and increases the cost of public and private development in the District.

This is an important step to increase home rule for the District, and I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

#### HONORING CLYDE AND GWEN WASHINGTON FOR RECEIVING THE 2019 DUMFRIES MAYOR'S LIVING LEGEND AWARD

#### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 19, 2019*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the recipients of the 2019 Dumfries Mayor's Living Legend Award. This award is presented to those who have had a profound impact on the Dumfries community through public service, civic engagement, and mentorship. The Town of Dumfries honors the recipients of this award at the Dumfries Mayor's Ball for their extraordinary contributions to our community. It is my honor to include in the RECORD the following individuals:

Clyde Washington: Clyde is a graduate of Norfolk State University, with a degree in Education. He also has a Master of Education de-

gree from Virginia State University. Clyde has used his passion for education and put it back into the community, serving as an educator for 31 years in Prince William County. During his tenure, he was a coach and mentor for many young men. Clyde was also an active member of the Prince William County Education Association, both the Virginia and National Education Association, and he was the Prince William County Representative on the Virginia Education Board of Directors. He also served as a Prince William County delegate to numerous State and National Conventions. In recognition of his dedication and civic engagement, he received several honors including a certificate of outstanding achievement from former Neabsco District Supervisor, John Jenkins. While Clyde was teaching, coaching, mentoring, and being an active civic leader, he also held a seat on the Town of Dumfries Council. In 1980, he ran for the Dumfries Town Council and was elected. He went on to serve the town of Dumfries as a Councilman for twenty-eight years; several of those years serving as the Vice Mayor. He always strived to work cooperatively with each citizen and with other town officials. He is and has always been committed to the citizens and promised them dedicated service, and representation with integrity; promises that he fulfilled. Clyde is the husband of Gwen Porter Washington, who is also being honored tonight. He is also a dedicated member and Deacon at the Little Union Baptist Church, a member of the NAACP, and a Lifetime Member of the Virginia Education and the National Education Association.

Gwen Washington: Gwen was educated in the segregated Prince William County school system. She graduated from Jennie Dean High School in Manassas, Virginia. Gwen is a graduate of Virginia State University, with a degree in Education. She also has a Master of Education degree from George Mason University. Gwen is a third-generation educator which fueled her passion to teach. She invested her passion for education back into the community, serving as an educator for 33 years. Gwen's 33-year teaching career allowed her to have many rewarding experiences. She had a very successful coaching career, winning numerous championships in gymnastics, track & field, and volleyball; she served as department chair for seventeen years; she served as a workshop presenter at numerous county and state teacher workshops, and she also participated in teacher-mentoring where she was able to share effective motivational and behavior modification skills with other teachers. While working part time at Dumfries Elementary School, in November 2015, Gwen was appointed to serve on the Dumfries Town Council. This allowed her to serve out the term of a council member who was moving to the Mayors position. She was highly honored to be asked to serve in this leadership role. At the end of her designated appointment, she went on to be elected to two more terms before retiring. Gwen is the wife of Clyde Washington who is also being honored tonight. She is also a dedicated member of Little Union Baptist Church in Dumfries where she is on numerous chairs and ministries. She is past president and current vice-president of the Deaconess Board, president of the Drama Ministry, and a member of two choirs. She is also a member of the